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Transmitted herewith is an amendment to the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.P.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

a verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 is enclosed.

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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO APRIL 13, 1999 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in reply to the April 13, 1999 Office Action which was issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the April 13, 1999 Office Action was originally due on July 13, 1999. Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time and a check including the FOUR HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIVE DOLLAR (\$435.00) fee is enclosed. Applicants have previously established small entity status. Therefore, a reply is now due October 13, 1999. Thus, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the specification:

Please insert the pages attached hereto as Exhibit A as substitute pages 24-26 in the subject specification. Please renumber original pages 24-34 of the specification as 27-37.

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